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Mrs. Patricia Derian
Human Rights Coordinator
United States State Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Derian.

On August 4th 1977 I wrote to you regarding the kidnapping of the only son of my cousin, Mr. Daniel Lazaro Rus who was born on the 24th of July 1950, has been living in Buenos Aires at Av. Segurola 2574 with his parents.

Your assistant Mr. Hill called me about 2 months ago and told me of the communication you have received from Argentine Authorities through our Ambassador the Honorable Raul Castro that this person is not being held in custody and his whereabouts are unknown.

Your help in locating Daniel is further needed and I hope, that this matter will not be dropped by your department.

It is known to me, that thousands of persons are missing in Argentina for political and other reasons and if Daniel is still alive, he probably is kept with many others in some secret prison or Hitler-style concentration camp. I cannot and will not believe that so many people have been murdered and it is therefore I am writing you with utmost urgency to pursue this matter until an satisfactory answer from Argentina is forthcoming.

Enclosed please find photocopy of an letter dated November 8th 1976 advising Daniel that he has won a scholarship as an nuclear physics student which will enable him to further his studies in nuclear energy at the Atomic Energy Commission. It is clear to his parents as it is to any intelligent person that he would not have any access to such sensitive matters without prior clearance by security authorities.

I like to thank you and Mr. Hill for everything you have done in this case and beg you not to spare any efforts to be instrumental in bringing Daniel home to his parents.

Yours very truly

Leo Organek

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